

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
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**Town of**  
**WESTHAMPTON**

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**YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1959**



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EASTHAMPTON NEWS COMPANY  
EASTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS





REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending December 31, 1959

BIRTHS

Mar.	18	Bradford King Morse
Mar.	21	Robin Ann Montague
Mar.	24	Bonnie Lou Fisher
Mar.	25	Lori Ann Lacombe
April	25	Richard Inman Tracy
April	27	Michael Frederick Pinard
July	26	Jeffrey Nicholas Mann
Aug.	20	William Vincent Lumbis
Aug.	30	..... Cote
Sept.	12	Patricia Ellen Patenaude
Sept.	28	Walter Melbourne Henderson, Jr.
Oct.	13	George Henry Payson
Nov.	5	Christine Ann Hurd
Dec.	15	Todd Harrison Buzzee

DEATHS

Mar.	26	Susan Clapp Lyman
April	1	Delphine Goyette Cadieux (Cayo)
June	1	Walter Bogdanski
Sept.	10	Jared C. Williams
Nov.	2	Maurice M. Scott
Dec.	3	Vera Chapman Clapp

MARRIAGES

May	2	Norman Daniel Cotnoir	Westhampton, Mass.
		Beverly Ann Graham	Easthampton, Mass.

May	23	Roderick I. McNeil	Boston, Mass.
		Sara J. Camick	Boston, Mass.
June	28	Arnold Morris Holt	Northampton, Mass.
		Mary Tomlinson Hunt	Northampton, Mass.
Aug.	3	Robert Patterson	Easthampton, Mass.
		Sandra Duda	Easthampton, Mass.
Aug.	8	Edwin Peter Larrow	Westhampton, Mass.
		Janice May Fallon	Holyoke, Mass.
Aug.	15	George Henry Burt	Westhampton, Mass.
		Doris A. Lyman	Easthampton, Mass.
Aug.	24	David Alfred Laprade	Easthampton, Mass.
		Mary Rose Payson	Westhampton, Mass.
Aug.	30	George F. Reuter	Greenwich, Conn.
		Marion S. Button	Westhampton, Mass.
Oct.	10	Norman A. Stone	Huntington, Mass.
		Norma L. Fisher	Westhampton, Mass.

#### DOG LICENSES

Balance, Jan. 1			\$71.75
Licenses Issued			
48 Males	@	\$2.00	\$96.00
6 Females	@	5.00	30.00
41 Spayed	@	2.00	82.00
4 Kennel	@	10.00	40.00
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			\$248.00
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			\$319.75
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Paid to Town Treasurer		
1959 Lic.	\$216.25	
1958 Lic.	71.75	
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Retained 99 fees @ 25c		\$24.75
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		\$312.75
Balance, Dec. 31		7.00
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		\$319.75
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### FISH AND GAME LICENSES

Licenses Issued			
44 Resident Fishing	@	\$3.25	\$143.00
73 Resident Hunting	@	3.25	237.25
68 Resident Sporting	@	5.25	357.00
10 Res. Minor Fishing	@	1.25	12.50
17 Resident Female	@	2.25	38.25
1 Resident Trapping	@	7.75	7.75
3 Non-Res. 3-day Fishing	@	2.75	8.25
1 Non-Res. Fishing	@	7.75	7.75
2 Duplicate	@	.50	1.00
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			\$812.75
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Paid Division of Fisheries and Game			\$758.50
Retained 217 Fees	@	.25	54.25
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			\$812.75
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Free Licenses

5 Resident Sporting and Trapping

D. L. JUDD

Town Clerk

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I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and find them correct.

JEAN W. NORRIS

Auditor



## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

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### RECEIPTS — 1959

Balance on Hand January 1, 1959	\$95,662.26
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#### Taxes

1955 Auto Excise	\$5.34
1957 Real Estate	655.00
1958 Real Estate	5,097.39
Personal Property	1,189.18
Farm Excise	143.82
Auto Excise	2,229.97
Polls	16.00
1959 Real Estate	32,066.89
Personal Property	5,737.60
Farm Excise	304.68
Auto Excise	5,860.30
Polls	274.00

#### Interest on Taxes

1955	1.36
1957	58.49
1958	223.11
1959	13.60

#### Demands

1955	.35
1957	4.35
1958	25.05

#### Highways

##### From Massachusetts State Treasurer

Chap. 81 1958 Contract	9,060.92
1959 Contract	1,811.92
Chap. 90 Construction	
1958 Contract	7,500.00
Chap. 90 Maintenance	
1959 Contract	950.00

Chap. 718	601.07
Snow Removal	143.00
From Hampshire County Treasurer	
Chap. 90 Construction	
1958 Contract	2,500.00
Chap. 90 Maintenance	950.00
Old Age Assistance	
From Massachusetts State Treasurer	
Federal Grant for Aid	3,238.00
Federal Grant for Administration	274.63
Meal Taxes	113.45
State Aid	2,531.70
Reimbursements from Other Towns	117.52
Old Age Assistance Recovery	269.00
Schools	
From Massachusetts State Treasurer	
Chap. 70	5,165.00
Chap. 70	1,931.01
Transportation	8,573.77
Vocational	
Tuition	611.86
Transportation	271.50
Balance for 1957	55.62
Other Income	
From Massachusetts State Treasurer	
Income Tax	1,747.64
Corporation Tax B	1,649.62
Live Stock and Disease Control	12.50
From Hampshire County Treasurer	
Dog License Refund	112.48
Wild Cat Bounties	60.00
Care and Kill of Dogs	24.00
District Court Fines	25.00
Miscellaneous Income	
Federal Withholding Taxes	2,557.21
State Withholding Taxes	228.11

Retirement Deductions	339.38	
From Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	288.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	13.50	
Pistol Permits	12.00	
3rd Class Used Car Dealer's License	7.50	
3rd Class Junk Dealer's Licenses	7.50	
Milk Dealers' Licenses	4.00	
Lord's Day License	5.00	
Discount Taken	2.24	
Eastern States Farmers' Exchange		
Patronage Refund	3.02	
Highway Dept. Machine Fund	2,439.25	
Rent for Town Machinery	50.50	
Gift for putting into condition the new Cemetery Lot	1,000.00	
Interest from Trust Funds		
Cemetery		
Endowed Lots	41.89	
General Care	67.50	
Whiting Street Fund	41.40	
Wright Fund	30.00	
Thayer Fund	30.00	
Savings Bank Interest	765.49	
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		\$112,141.00
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		\$207,803.26
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#### EXPENDITURES

Paid Selectmen's Orders	\$66,508.04	
Paid School Committee Warrants	42,741.56	
Balance on Hand January 1, 1960	98,553.66	
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		\$207,803.26
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### STABILIZATION FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 1959	\$1,313.18
Added March 2, 1959	4,486.00
Interest Income 1959	92.02
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Balance on Hand January 1, 1960	<u>\$5,891.20</u>

### ROAD MACHINE FUND

Balance on Hand January 1, 1959	\$5,715.13
Transferred to Road Machinery Account	3,000.00
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	2,715.13
Highway Dept. Earnings	\$2,439.25
Rent for Machinery	50.50
Unused 1959 Road Machinery Account	860.42
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	3,350.17
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Balance on Hand January 1, 1960	<u>\$6,065.30</u>

### OUTSTANDING TAXES

1958 Real Estate	\$368.32
Auto Excise	11.05
1959 Real Estate	3,650.99
Personal Property	1,036.88
Farm Animal Excise	75.31
Auto Excise	1,719.79
Polls	24.00
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	<u>\$6,886.34</u>

## FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY THE TOWN

Principal	Interest Received in 1959
Cemetery	
\$2,000.00 Lucy Totman	\$67.50
500.00 O. C. Bridgman	15.00
500.00 Charles G. Loud	5.83
100.00 Myra G. Strong	3.00
100.00 Sarah C. Cook	3.00
100.00 George Burt	3.00
100.00 Samuel Edwards	3.00
100.00 Arthur L. Searles	3.00
100.00 Emma G. Damon	3.00
50.00 David L. Brown	1.50
50.00 Susan A. Loud	1.56
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	\$109.39
Worthy Poor	
\$1,380.85 Whiting Street	\$41.40
1,000.00 Wright	30.00
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	71.40
Thayer	
\$1,000.00	30.00
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	\$210.79
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RALPH S. BRIDGMAN  
Treasurer

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the treasurer and find them correct, showing disbursements to the amount of one hundred



nine thousand, two hundred forty-nine dollars and sixty cents (\$109,249.60), for which vouchers are on file, and a balance on hand of ninety-eight thousand, five hundred fifty-three dollars and sixty-six cents (\$98,553.66). Due from Ralph S. Bridgman, Tax Collector: 1958 Real Estate tax three hundred sixty-eight dollars and thirty-two cents (\$368.32); Auto Excise, eleven dollars and five cents (\$11.05); 1959 Real Estate tax, three thousand six hundred fifty dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$3,650.99); Personal Property tax, one thousand thirty-six dollars and eight-eight cents (\$1,036.88); Farm Animal Excise, seventy-five dollars and thirty-one cents (\$75.31); Auto Excise, one thousand seven hundred nineteen dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$1,719.79); and Polls, twenty-four dollars (\$24.00).

JEAN W. NORRIS  
Auditor

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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To the Citizens of Westhampton:

Your Board is very happy to submit this report to you for your consideration.

We wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation of all officers and committees for their work in the preparation of this Annual Report.

### Chapter 81. Road Work.

Much work was done under this Chapter on the Southampton Road. We feel that there has been a great improvement, but there is still much more which needs to be done, but with the limited amount under this Chapter it is impossible to do it all at once.

At the Annual Meeting, attended by the Selectmen, Highway Superintendent, and State Engineer, for the allocation of Chapter 81 funds on the various roads of the town, it was pointed out, by the State Engineer, that with State allotment of Chapter 81 funds remaining the same, and cost of labor and material increasing each year, many towns have appropriated a larger sum for their Chapter 81 work. We have received requests for Road Signs, Street Lights, and Repairs to various roads by taxpayers of the town and we feel this should be given consideration.

### Chapter 90. Construction.

The same old story under this Chapter. We are still working on the western end of Route 66 and while there is a vast improvement, we feel that a few more years work is needed to complete this project; and upon the advice of the Department of Public Works, District #2, Highway Office we cannot operate but one Chapter 90 project at a time. The revenue of the town cannot stand more than this.

The Finance Committee met with the Selectmen and other boards to consider budget and articles for the Town Warrant. We believe that all decisions made were for the best interest of the Town and in the near future we will find that the Finance Board is a great asset to our Town.

It is the opinion of the Selectmen that the town might give some thought to the possibility of improving the Town By-Laws and Building Code and might also give some thought to the need of zoning laws.

The Selectmen meet each week on Monday evening at 7 o'clock in the Selectmen's rooms. These are open meetings and anyone should feel free to come if he or she has any problem or any suggestion which may be for the best interest of the Town.

EARL R. GETT, SR.  
FRANK B. MONTAGUE  
PHILIP J. CLAPP  
Selectmen of Westhampton

#### TOWN HALL ACCOUNT

Cernak Fuel	\$465.14
Western Massachusetts Electric Co.	139.45
Stanley Bartlett	356.86
Ward Miller	22.50
E. A. Delisle Co.	6.61
Westhampton Water Co.	34.00
Foster Farrar Co.	14.95
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	\$1,039.51

#### TOWN OFFICERS

Mass. Selectmen's Association—Dues	\$10.00
Mass. Assessors' Association—Dues	9.00

Mass. Tax Collectors' and Treasurers' Association—Dues	6.00
Edith Blakesley—Copying Town Orders	25.00
Evelyn Tracy—Taking Town Census	30.00
Mass. Town Clerks' Association—Dues	7.50
D. L. Judd—Town Clerk	250.00
William M. Fiske	33.34
Charles R. Burt	15.00
Grace Williams	9.48
Lucy Inman	9.48
Hampshire County Selectmens' Association	6.00
Earl R. Gett	300.00
R. S. Bridgman—Tax Collector	425.00
R. S. Bridgman—Town Treasurer	425.00
Frank B. Montague	200.00
Philip J. Clapp	166.66
Jean Norris	25.00
Sidney H. Cole	175.00
Gilbert Flint	125.00
Mahlon Parsons	125.00
Robert White	25.00
Harold Wood	75.00
Winifred Hurd	75.00
Frank Hathaway	100.00
Stanley Bartlett	20.00
A. L. Snow—Inspector of Animals	25.00
A. L. Snow—Inspector of Slaughtering	23.00
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	2,720.46

## CHAPTER 81 — MATERIAL

	1959 Appropriation
New England Metal Culvert Co.	\$477.57
Hampshire Sand & Gravel Co.	413.15
Edward Balise	252.60

Omasta Sand & Gravel Co.	62.40
Daniel Krug	19.60
Lane Construction Co.	403.35
Henry Payson	79.20
Wirthmore Feed Stores	70.30
Christine Hickey	4.00
American Tar & Asphalt Co.	1,664.95
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	\$3,447.12

## CHAPTER 81 — PAYROLL

	1959 Appropriation
F. W. Blakesley	\$1,663.50
Harland Lemery	1,947.25
Donovan Brothers	1,359.00
Hampshire Sand & Gravel Co.	108.00
Omasta Construction	229.50
Eugene Lemery	85.00
Gary Hickey	52.50
Arthur Dodge	108.00
Frank Hathaway	12.00
Myron Hathaway	36.00
Leroy Lyman	311.25
Frank Montague	1,448.00
F. R. Brewster	182.00
William Besner	25.50
Gilbert Shaw	31.50
Omasta Sand & Gravel Co.	240.50
Morris Frary	15.00
Raymond Bliven	143.42
Machine Fund	1,606.25
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	\$9,604.17



## CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE MATERIAL

	1959 Appropriation
New England Metal Culvert Co.	602.52
Connecticut Valley Block Co.	35.87
Edward Balise	11.60
H. J. Payson	3.00
E. A. Delisle Co.	13.25
Hampshire Sand & Gravel Co.	126.27
Arrow Concrete Products	46.00
Warner Bros., Inc.	113.87
Lane Construction Corp.	94.20
American Tar & Asphalt Co.	771.33
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	\$1,817.91

## CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE PAYROLL

	1959 Appropriation
Frank Montague	320.00
Arthur Dodge	31.50
Eugene Lemery	11.25
Myron Hathaway	12.00
F. W. Blakesley	133.50
Harland Lemery	157.50
E. A. Montague	57.00
Leroy Lyman	168.75
Morris Frary	6.00
Machine Fund	134.75
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	\$1,032.25

## CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL

### Route #66

	1959 Appropriation
New England Metal Culvert Co.	575.88
Omasta Sand & Gravel Co.	51.20
American Tar & Asphalt Co.	810.66

Hampshire Sand & Gravel Co.	217.60
Lane Construction Corp.	65.70
Eastern States Farmers Exchange	5.38
Donovan Bros. Incorp.	113.81
Edward Balise	185.90
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	\$2,026.13

## CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION PAYROLL

### Route #66

	1959 Appropriation
F. W. Blakesley	715.50
Morris Frary	6.00
Omasta Construction	971.50
Myron Hathaway	84.00
Eugene Lemery	43.50
G. E. Haskins	144.00
F. R. Brewster	169.00
Orville Menard	52.00
Harland Lemery	799.75
Frank Montague	2,078.50
Arthur Dodge	240.00
Leroy Lyman	120.00
Gilbert Shaw	90.00
Murray Clapp	51.00
Donovan Bros.	1,956.00
Ben Stark	49.50
David Bodurtha	128.00
Machine Fund	624.25
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	\$8,322.50

CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL

	1958 Appropriation
The Welsbach Corporation	\$15.20
E. A. Delisle Co.	6.33
New England Metal Culvert Co.	393.76
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	\$415.29

CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION PAYROLL

Route #66

	1958 Appropriation
F. W. Blakesley	\$66.00
Eugene Lemery	25.00
Leroy Lyman	157.50
Frank Montague	32.50
Harland Lemery	160.50
Omasta Brothers	88.00
Machine Fund	73.00
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	\$602.50

SNOW REMOVAL, SANDING, AND ROAD WORK

F. W. Blakesley	\$259.50
Chemical Corporation	749.70
Eugene Lemery	7.50
Earl Gett	36.00
James McGill	10.00
Frank Montague	2,173.00
Hampshire Sand & Gravel Co.	420.24
Harland Lemery	860.00
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	\$4,515.94

BRIDGES AND RAILINGS

H. M. Parsons & Son	\$35.28
F. W. Blakesley	60.00

Harland Lemery	105.00	
Benjamin Stark	45.00	
P. J. Clapp	18.34	
	<hr/>	\$263.62

#### ROAD MACHINERY

Anderson Engineering Co.	\$217.00	
Witherell's Garage	6.00	
Plumb Auto Supply	10.61	
E. F. Edison Co.	37.77	
Reliance Transport Co.	9.30	
Hector A. Arel Co.	2.75	
Cernak Farm Supply	417.78	
Graves Equipment	79.55	
Agawam Tool Co.	347.90	
Satter's Express	6.12	
E. A. Delisle Co.	5.05	
Perkins Machinery Co.	59.95	
F. W. Blakesley	6.14	
Harland Lemery	325.25	
Germano Ford	170.61	
F. B. Montague	1.09	
Cernak Fuel	128.56	
C. & I. Distributors	4.67	
Eastern States Farmers Exchange	25.30	
Oliver Bishop	13.00	
Eastern Equipment	250.00	
A. E. Witherell	4.00	
Midtown Service Station	6.20	
Foster Farrar	4.98	
	<hr/>	\$2,139.58

ROAD MACHINERY AND FIRE DEPARTMENT  
BUILDINGS

Western Massachusetts Electric Co.	\$29.51	
Raymond Sarafin	15.00	
James O. Hickey	108.98	
Cernak Fuel	782.91	
Ward Miller	2.50	
	<hr/>	\$938.90

FIRE DEPARTMENT

F. S. Parsons & Son	\$25.55	
Cernak Service Station	2.50	
H. S. Gere & Son	3.76	
Fire End Products	21.53	
John H. Lee & Son	4.38	
Mass. Fire Equipment Co.	5.00	
E. A. Delisle Co.	23.47	
Zabek Fire Apparatus Co.	3.00	
Eastern States Farmers Exchange	5.34	
Russell Uniform Co.	31.97	
David G. Deane	268.00	
Stanley Bartlett	5.00	
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FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Stanley Bartlett	\$150.00	
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RECREATION FUND

Pattrell Radio & Sound Shop	\$33.00	
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## VACATION PAY FOR REGULAR EMPLOYEES

Harland Lemery	\$72.00	
F. W. Blakesley	\$72.00	
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		\$144.00

## LIBRARY ACCOUNT

Pioneer Valley Stamp Co.	\$1.85	
Demco Library Supply	21.85	
Library Book House	179.11	
National Library Week	.86	
American Heritage	23.45	
Literary Guild of America	22.30	
Hampshire Book Shop	2.95	
Helen Watts	5.08	
George Howard Insurance	27.30	
Remington Rand	13.90	
Marion Mascho	100.00	
Stanley Bartlett	51.24	
National Geographic Society	6.75	
Mass. Library Trustee Association	2.00	
Edith Grant	33.70	
Henrietta Miller	2.14	
E. A. Delisle Co.	18.00	
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		\$512.48

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Westhampton Water Company	\$2.72	
Stanley Bartlett	385.74	
Frank Munson	4.50	
Frank Montague	37.50	
E. A. Delisle	19.54	
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		\$450.00

### CEMETERY INTEREST

Foster Farrar	\$94.95	
Westhampton Water Co.	2.28	
Stanley Bartlett	17.25	
	<hr/>	\$114.48

### POSTAGE AND TELEPHONE

N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co.	\$108.54	
Earl R. Gett, Sr.	10.25	
Sidney Cole	3.72	
D. L. Judd	2.86	
Ralph Bridgman	1.82	
Frank Blakesley	18.00	
	<hr/>	\$145.19

### PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

Hobbs and Warren, Inc.	\$66.02	
Barre Gazette	32.38	
H. L. Gere & Sons	6.60	
Mark Supple	87.18	
Earl Gett, Sr.	4.00	
Forbes Snyder, Inc.	37.50	
D. L. Judd	9.08	
Easthampton News	224.00	
Gazette Printing Co.	9.02	
Poor Jim's Print Shop	20.00	
Pioneer Valley Stamp Co.	1.75	
R. S. Bridgman	.90	
E. A. Delisle	4.02	
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### TRUST FUNDS

Street & Wright Fund		
Marion Mascho, Treasurer	\$71.40	
Thayer Fund		
Philip Clapp, Treasurer	30.00	
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		\$101.40

### CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

Rose Andrzyczyk	\$150.00	
Raymond Warner	19.20	
James Vacchelli	10.00	
Elmer Miller	10.00	
Hampshire County Commissioners	5.00	
Robert White	24.00	
Earl Gett, Sr.	49.25	
Howard Blakesley	6.75	
Frank Montague	3.00	
James Hickey	3.00	
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		\$280.20

### TRAVEL EXPENSE

Philip Clapp	\$4.25	
Frank Montague	4.75	
Earl Gett, Sr.	27.76	
Gilbert Flint	6.00	
Mahlon Parsons	6.00	
Sidney Cole	3.00	
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		\$51.76

### INTEREST, INSURANCE, AND BONDS

Howell & Salls	\$734.10
George H. Howard	256.39

King & Cushman	451.16	
James P. McGrath	199.56	
Registry of Motor Vehicles	6.00	
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		\$1,647.21

INTEREST ON TOWN HALL NOTE		
Northampton National Bank	\$120.00	
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		\$120.00

TOWN HALL NOTE		
Northampton National Bank	\$1,000.00	
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		\$1,000.00

WITHHOLDING TAXES		
First National Bank of Northampton	\$2,597.12	
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		\$2,597.12

STATE WITHHOLDING TAXES		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$176.26	
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		\$176.26

COUNTY TAXES		
Hampshire County, Treasurer	\$3,137.62	
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		\$3,137.62

TAXES		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Parks & Reservations	\$236.19	
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		\$236.19

#### TAX ABATEMENTS

Henry J. Keller	\$5.02	
Orville Flint	2.00	
Frederick Burr	35.53	
Lillian Blakesley	4.27	
Wayne Buzzee	6.41	
Madeline Foxx	7.49	
Francis Loud	4.81	
Alan Mintz	11.22	
David Morse	6.41	
Maurice Patenaude	3.21	
S. A. & L. P. Montague	3.21	
	<hr/>	\$89.58

#### RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Hampshire County Treasurer	\$336.63	
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#### SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Hampshire County Retirement System	\$649.29	
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#### VETERANS' RELIEF

New England Doll & Novelty Co.	\$20.34	
Case No. 1	120.00	
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#### CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Stanley Bartlett	\$7.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	4.75	
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CLERICAL HIRE		
Jessie Cole	\$200.00	
		\$200.00
STABILIZATION FUND		
Balance on Hand	\$4,486.00	
		\$4,486.00
COUNSEL FEES		
Andre & Bowen	\$10.00	
		\$10.00
TOWN SHED TELEPHONE		
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph	\$80.16	
		\$80.16
DOG LICENSES		
Treasurer of Hampshire County	\$266.25	
		\$266.25
DUMP FUND		
Mrs. Caroline Belz—Dump Contract 1959	\$200.00	
		\$200.00
BOARD OF HEALTH		
Hampshire Count Association—Dues	\$6.00	
		\$6.00
MEMORIAL DAY		
R. H. Tracy	\$18.50	
Laura Witherell	19.25	
		\$37.75

### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Cases Aided—8	\$8,360.30	
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### OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION

Estelle Frary, Salary and Expenses	\$546.21	
Andre & Bowen	5.00	
Haskell & Gilbert	12.04	
Enterprise Printing Co.	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$568.25

### POLIO CLINIC

Dr. C. Keith Wilbur, M. D.	\$43.00	
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### DIPHTHERIA CLINIC

Eunice Cernak	\$25.00	
Dr. C. Keith Wilbur, M. D.	25.00	
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### WELL CHILD CLINIC

Eunice Cernak	\$30.00	
Dr. C. Keith Wilbur, M. D.	40.00	
Dr. Abel Ross, M. D.	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$95.00

### DUTCH ELM DISEASE

Myron Hathaway	\$28.50	
Walter Witherell	33.50	
Thomas Vachula	12.00	
Howard Blakesley	12.00	
William Tracy	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$94.00

## GYPSY MOTHS

Walter Witherell	43.50
Thomas Vachula	12.00
Myron Hathaway	43.50

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\$99.00

## RECAPITULATION

Town Hall Account	\$1,039.51
Town Officers	2,720.46
Chapter 81—Material (1959 Appropriation)	3,447.12
Chapter 81—Payroll (1959 Appropriation)	9,604.17
Chapter 90—Maintenance Material (1959 Appropriation)	1,817.91
Chapter 90—Maintenance Payroll (1959 Appropriation)	1,032.25
Chapter 90—Construction Material (1959 Appropriation) Route #66	2,026.13
Chapter 90—Construction Payroll (1959 Appropriation) Route #66	8,322.50
Chapter 90—Construction Material (1958 Appropriation) Route #66	415.29
Chapter 90—Construction Payroll (1958 Appropriation) Route #66	602.50
Snow Removal, Sanding, and Road Work	4,515.94
Bridges and Railings	263.62
Road Machinery	2,139.58
Road Machinery and Fire Department Buildings	938.90
Fire Department	399.50
Fire Chief and Forest Fire Warden	150.00
Recreation Fund	33.00
Vacation Pay for Regular Employees	144.00

Library Account	512.48
Cemetery Account	450.00
Cemetery Interest	114.48
Postage and Telephone	145.19
Printing and Supplies	502.45
Trust Funds	101.40
Contingent Account	280.20
Travel Expense	51.76
Interest, Insurance, and Bonds	1,647.21
Interest on Town Hall Note	120.00
Town Hall Note	1,000.00
Withholding Taxes	2,597.12
State Withholding Taxes	176.26
County Taxes	3,137.62
Taxes	236.19
Tax Abatements	89.58
Retirement System	336.63
Special Appropriations	649.29
Veterans' Relief	140.34
Civilian Defense	11.75
Clerical Hire	200.00
Stabilization Fund	4,486.00
Counsel Fees	10.00
Town Shed Telephone	80.16
Dog Licenses	266.25
Dump Fund	200.00
Board of Health	6.00
Memorial Day	37.75
Old Age Assistance	8,360.30
Old Age Administration	568.25
Polio Clinic	43.00
Diphtheria Clinic	50.00
Well Child Clinic	95.00
Dutch Elm Disease	94.00
Gypsy Moth	99.00
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	\$66,508.04

## BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1960

Schools	\$48,848.90	—
Highways, Chapter 81	675.00	—
Chapter 90 Construction	2,500.00	—
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,000.00	—
Bridges and Railings	350.00	—
Town Officers	3,000.00	3,100.00
Old Age Assistance	6,000.00	—
Old Age Administration	600.00	—
Board of Health	50.00	—
Board of Health, Well Child Clinic	100.00	—
Interest, Insurance, and Bonds	1,700.00	—
Town Hall Maintenance	1,500.00	B.T.
Insect Pest Control	100.00	—
Dutch Elm Disease	177.31	—
Printing and Supplies	600.00	—
Library, Dog Fund Plus	400.00	—
Memorial Day	40.00	—
Contingent Account	200.00	—
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	—
Snow Removal, Sanding, and Road Work	4,000.00	B.T.
Veterans' Relief	200.00	—
Rabies Vaccine	50.00	—
Diphtheria Clinic	50.00	—
Public Welfare	1,750.00	B.T.
Fire Patrol	100.00	—
Cemetery	550.00	—
Road Machinery Account	3,000.00	7,000.00
Travel Expense	150.00	—
Fire Department	400.00	—
Fire Dept. and Road Machinery		
Buildings	700.00	—
Postage and Telephone	250.00	—
Clerical Hire	200.00	—
Hampshire County Retirement System	689.23	B.T.
Recreation Committee	50.00	—

Town Hall Bonds	1,000.00	13.7
Interest on Town Hall Bond	100.00	—
Polio Clinic	50.00	—
Water Holes	50.00	—
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	150.00	—
Tree Removal	150.00	—
Civilian Defense	100.00	—
Vacation Pay	168.00	—
Dump Fund	200.00	—
Counsel Fees	200.00	—
		\$83,148.44

#### NAMES IN JURY BOX FOR 1960

Mrs. William B. Miller	At home
Mrs. Christine Hickey	Housewife
John Cernak	Retired
Howard Loud	Mill Operator
Raymond Blakesley	Watchman
Willis Fuller	Power Truck Operator
Roger Clapp	Farmer

#### JURORS DRAWN IN 1959

David Cole	1-5-59
Walter Henderson	1-5-59
Leo Aloisi	3-30-59
Herbert Mascho	4-27-59
Sydney Montague	9-1-59



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS — 1959

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### RAISE AND APPROPRIATE

Schools	\$44,022.25
Highways, Chapter 81	675.00
Highways, Chapter 90—Construction	2,300.00
Highways, Chapter 90—Maintenance	950.00
Bridges and Railings	500.00
Town Officers	2,750.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00
Old Age Administration	550.00
Board of Health	50.00
Board of Health, Well Child Clinic	90.00
Insect Pest Control	100.00
Dutch Elm Disease	177.31
Printing and Supplies	600.00
Library, Dog Fund Plus	400.00
Memorial Day	40.00
Contingent Account	300.00
Snow Removal, Sanding and Road Work	5,000.00
Rabies Vaccine	50.00
Diphtheria Clinic	50.00
Public Welfare	200.00
Fire Patrol	100.00
Fire Department	400.00
Postage and Telephone	150.00
Clerical Hire	200.00
Recreation Committee	50.00
Travel Expense, Town Officers	200.00
Telephone—Town Shed	79.80
Veterans' Relief	200.00
Vacation Pay for Town Employees	144.00
Water Holes	50.00
Fire Chief and Forest Warden	150.00

Tree Removal	150.00	
Civilian Defense	100.00	
Polio Clinic	50.00	
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		\$64,828.36

#### FROM BALANCE IN THE TREASURY

Highways, Chapter 81	\$8,000.00	
Highways, Chapter 90—Construction	9,200.00	
Highways, Chapter 90—Maintenance	1,950.00	
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	
Road Machinery Account	3,000.00	
Purchase New Fire Truck	13,000.00	
Stabilization Fund	4,486.00	
Dog Refund	112.48	
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	
Interest, Insurance and Bonds	1,600.00	
Cemetery	450.00	
Fire Department and Road Machinery Building	550.00	
Hampshire County Retirement System	649.29	
Town Hall Bond	1,000.00	
Town Hall Bond Interest	120.00	
Town Hall Maintenance	1,000.00	
Dump Rental in 1958	200.00	
Dump Rental in 1959	200.00	
Counsel Fees	200.00	
Board of Health	485.00	
Public Welfare	515.00	
County Tax 1959	3,661.33	
State Parks and Reservations	259.27	
Overlay	1,679.74	
Underestimates 1958	301.05	
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		55,619.16

Total 1959 Appropriations	\$120,447.52
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$77,137.36
Net Amount Raised on Polls and Property	43,310.16
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	\$120,447.52
Personal Property Valuation	\$169,507.00
Real Estate Valuation	905,197.00
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	\$1,074,704.00
Tax on Personal Property	\$6,780.28
Tax on Real Estate	36,207.88
Tax on Polls	322.00
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	\$43,310.16
Tax Rate	\$ 40.00
Motor Vehicle Tax 1958	27.62
Motor Vehicle Tax 1959	3,446.24
Exemptions on Real Estate	430.00
Exemptions on Polls	26.00
Abatements on Motor Vehicles 1958	32.35
Abatements on Motor Vehicles 1959	148.97
Abatements Real Estate 1959	10.00
Personal Property 1959	5.80

FARM ANIMAL EXCISE 1959

<i>Cows</i>	<i>Bulls</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Steer</i>	<i>Swine</i>	<i>Sheep</i>	<i>Hens</i>	<i>Chicks</i>	<i>Roosters</i>	<i>Capettes</i>
296	1	12	6	17	2	28,217	1,000	163	7,200

FROM THE TABLE OF AGGREGATES

<i>Year</i>	<i>Horses</i>	<i>Cows</i>	<i>Sheep</i>	<i>Cattle</i>	<i>Swine</i>	<i>Fowl</i>	<i>Dwellings</i>
1957	17	480	27	13	15	18,578	247
1958	9	7	19	7	1	137	257
1959	11	5	18	3	0	268	270

SIDNEY H. COLE  
 GILBERT H. FLINT  
 MAHLON K. PARSONS  
 Board of Assessors

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT — 1959

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225 books were added to the Memorial Library during the year 1959. 64 were gifts from Dr. and Mrs. Reginald Fiske, Sidney Neal, William Metcalfe, Katharine Reed, and bonus books from the Book Club. The library subscribes to 16 magazines and several magazines are given to the library.

The Bookmobile from the Regional Library in Greenfield visits the library and the Center School. The following number of books were borrowed for distribution:

Adult Fiction	414
Adult Non-Fiction	285
Juvenile Fiction	485
Juvenile Non-Fiction	168

The circulation for the library for the past year has been:

Adult Fiction	898
Juvenile Fiction	1,469
Non-Fiction	497
Magazines	557

13 people have qualified in the Adventures of Reading and have read 166 books.

A set of the Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia was purchased from the interest money in the Edward H. Montague Fund.

National Library Week was observed by holding a Hobby Show at the library on April 12. Mrs. Roger Clapp was chairman. 25 people contributed their hobbies. The trustees served refreshments to the 145 people that visited the exhibits.

On May 1, 12 people attended a book review "Our Proud Possessors" by Aline B. Saarinen given by Mrs. Hazel Clair, Supervisor of Art in the Easthampton Public Schools.

The trustees and librarian entertained the pupils of the Center School in grades 3-6 at a tea at the home of Mrs. Mascho in May. This was in recognition of receiving State Reading Certificates. Miss Cornelia Church and Mrs. Marianna Rowe, librarians at the Regional Library were present.

Book Week was observed by visiting the Center School. Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Watts, trustees of the library, Mrs. Geigis, and Mrs. Mascho reviewed the books that were added to the Children's Library. At the library 28 people attended a talk by Stanley Greenberg, librarian in Holyoke, who spoke on "Book Collecting as a Hobby—Rare Books—First Editions."

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION MASCHO  
Librarian



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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We have read and approved the reports of the Superintendent, the School Principal, the School Nurse, the Supervisors of our School. These reports outline in detail the School matters which have been reviewed and passed in the regular or special meetings held by the School Committee during the year.

The School Committee extended a vote of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. William B. Miller for her invaluable interest and untiring efforts while serving as a member on the Westhampton School Committee for the past six years. Mrs. Winifred Hurd was elected at the annual town meeting to succeed Mrs. Miller.

The Religious Education Committee represented by Mrs. Loud, Chairman; Miss Swain, director of this program; and Reverend Ernest O. Geigis met with the School Committee. They explained thoroughly the religious and educational values of the program and that thoroughly trained teachers were used to teach this material. After the Religious Education Committee left, we discussed this subject, and no decision could be reached.

The School Committee directed the Superintendent to send out questionnaires to parents of children involved to get their reaction as to having released time for religious education. Twenty-two parents received and returned these questionnaires. Twelve were in favor and ten were opposed. By law, a teacher is not allowed to give instruction to children who remain in the classroom during released time. After a considerable discussion, Chairman Mr. Wood called for a secret ballot vote. The vote was unanimously opposed to giving released time.

In March the stoker in the boiler broke down, which created an emergency. Upon examination it proved to be beyond repair and new parts were not available; so it was the School Committee's decision to convert the system to oil. Mr. Ward Miller made the installation completing it in three days. Also installed were two new 275 gallon tanks in series. The committee noted that



the oil heat was a great improvement in keeping all rooms at an even temperature.

It was a unanimous vote of this committee to have the Miller children and the Hurd children going to Northampton High School and Smith School picked up at the corner of Southampton Road and Route 66. Also, that Kenneth Wood going to Northampton High be picked up at his home. These children having been previously transported privately to the cement bridge where they were picked up by the school bus.

At the annual meeting of School Union #51, Mr. Richard suggested the possibility of requesting the State Department of Education to send a team of experts to us who could make a future study and evaluation of organization and administration of Union #51. At this meeting Mr. Richard's resignation as Superintendent of Union #51 was accepted with deepest regret.

The chairman of each school committee of Union #51 formed a committee to screen applicants for the position of superintendent of Union #51. Twenty-seven candidates were interviewed and four men were selected to appear before the entire Union Committee. After a lengthy discussion, it was voted by a majority to call Mr. Francis P. Reddington.

It was with regret that the School Committee received the resignation of Mrs. Patricia Norris as teacher of grades 3 and 4. Mr. Richards and Mr. Reddington recommended Mrs. Phillips of Northampton for the position of teacher in grades 3 and 4 at the Center School. It was unanimously voted by this committee to hire Mrs. Phillips.

The School Committee voted to continue home instruction for physically handicapped children during the summer months.

During the summer vacation the playground was improved by removing some large stones and having fill brought in, graded and seeded. Mr. Harlan Lemery operated the town road grader and Mr. Frank Montague hauled the fill.

We discussed transporting children living under one mile from school. The policy adopted by a unanimous vote is that transportation will be provided for children living one mile or more from the Center School clocked from driveway to driveway.

The State Board of Education granted the request of the Westhampton School Committee to send its seventh and eighth grade pupils to Williamsburg Junior-Senior High School on a tuition basis for the school year 1959-1960. In considering this request, it is the opinion of this board, that the resulting arrangement will provide better education facilities for the children concerned.

The oil contract was awarded to Cernak Fuel who was the lowest bidder for the heating season 1959-60.

The salary schedule was revised by the School Committee to meet the state minimum of \$4,000.00 for a starting teacher. Also a need was recognized for a salary increase to Stanley Bartlett, custodian of the Center School. An increase has been approved.

We express our appreciation to the superintendent, our school principal, teachers and staff for their cooperation and effort which brought about improved scholastic standards during the past year. Also we wish to thank Witherell Transportation for transporting grades 1 and 2 on December 18 at no charge to the town. We wish to express our gratitude to Stanley Bartlett for the excellent job he has done in keeping our school clean and in good condition.

HAROLD B. WOOD, Chairman  
FRANK E. HATHAWAY, Secretary  
WINIFRED HURD

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Westhampton:

I am pleased to submit herewith my first annual report as your superintendent of schools.

Mr. Harold Wood was elected Chairman of the School Committee at the reorganization meeting held in March. Mr. Frank Hathaway was elected as Secretary. Mrs. Winifred Hurd is the third member of the committee.

The annual meeting of the School Committees of Union #51 was held on April 7, 1959, at the Russell Conwell School in Worthington. Mr. Clement F. Burr of Southampton was elected Chairman, and Richard Warren of Williamsburg, Secretary.

Mrs. Patricia Norris resigned as teacher of grades three and four during this past year. Mrs. Priscilla Phillips was elected to fill this vacancy. She is a graduate of Temple University and has completed most of the requirements for her Master's degree at Smith College.

All of our teachers have completed programs of advanced study during the past two years. This in-service training has helped the teachers remain familiar with modern trends and methods in education.

The State Legislature has created a new minimum salary for Massachusetts teachers of \$4,000.00. This law is to be effective as of September 1, 1960. Your School Committee has revised the salary schedule in order to comply with this law, to maintain a realistic salary schedule for our present teachers, and to remain in a competitive position for securing the best possible teaching service for our school.

Our present staff is as follows:

Mr. Donald F. Franciosi	Grades 5 and 6—Principal
Mrs. Priscilla Phillips	Grades 3 and 4
Miss Rachel Bridgman	Grades 1 and 2

Supervisors in specialized fields:

Mrs. Marion Reuter	Art
Mrs. Elizabeth Torrey	Music

Other staff members are as follows:

Dr. Keith Wilbur	School Physician
Dr. Abel Ross	School Dentist
Mrs. Eunice Cernak	School Nurse

Distribution of pupils as of October 1, 1959, is listed below:

Grades 1 and 2	29
Grades 3 and 4	19
Grades 5 and 6	22
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	70

Tuition Students:

Williamsburg Junior High	20
Williamsburg High	7
Northampton High	17
Smith's School	4
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	48

Total School Population	118
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The Parent-Teacher Association has again been active this year and we are appreciative of all that it has done to implement our school program. One of the ways in which all citizens may be of great value to their school is to join and support the Parent-Teacher Association and to take part in its activities.

An open-door policy is a vital part of our community-centered school. Our teachers are an integral part of the open-door policy and will be privileged to help you, whatever the occasion. Please feel free to visit us and see what and how our children learn in the classroom.

In closing, I wish to express my thanks to the various organizations and individual citizens who contributed to the progress of the Westhampton School. I wish, also, to commend the teachers for their fine spirit of faithful loyalty and assistance in all

our efforts to improve the work of the school. To you, members of the Westhampton School Committee, I express my appreciation for your courtesy, cooperation, and support at all times.

FRANCIS P. REDINGTON  
Superintendent of Schools



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT — 1959

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The annual report of the Principal of Center School is hereby submitted. Center School graduated nine students to the Williamsburg Junior High School in June. The graduation program consisted of a combined talent and musical production which was well attended and enjoyed by all, terminating with the presentation of certificates to the graduating class.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mr. Roger, Principal of the Williamsburg Junior High School, in regard to the June graduates. The letter expressed appreciation for the manner in which the latest quota of students are conducting themselves. It was highly commendatory. This letter was greatly appreciated and gave a feeling of satisfaction to the teachers of Center School.

The summer passed swiftly and September found seventy children beginning the new school year. This is an increase of ten over last year. It appears that this type of increase will continue in the near future as the majority of this increase came in the first grade. The building is adequate at the present but crowding conditions are beginning to be felt.

The curriculum is steadily undergoing an enrichment for the betterment of all children in the school. The curriculum in any school is the entire learnings and experiences of the children. We, the teachers, are trying to meet the needs of this community and ultimately hope the children will continue to be a credit to, and worthwhile citizens of, Westhampton.

Forty-seven children are taking advantage of the School Accident Insurance Plan. Forty-eight are participating in the banking system. The soup program commenced in December and carried into March.

The bookmobile is continuing its monthly visits which are greatly appreciated by pupils and teachers. This form of outside, enjoyable reading adds great dimension to the development of reading for pleasure, reading being perhaps the most important goal to be reached in the elementary school.



On October 21, the school was closed for the annual teachers' convention. Due to the distance involved, teachers in the Union were given the opportunity to attend the convention or to observe in area schools. Mrs. Phillips attended the convention while Miss Bridgman and Mr. Franciosi visited area schools. The visits proved quite interesting and presented an opportunity for comparison and evaluation of our own classrooms. The results of this evaluation proved very pleasing. The teachers are also attending courses in surrounding colleges and are finding this new information very valuable in the classroom.

The courses of study have been enriched by various workbooks and teaching devices acquired through the school committee. I feel a word of praise should be mentioned here for the excellent work the school committee is doing to insure you that your children acquire the best formal education possible at Center School.

During National Education Week, parents representing fifty-five percent of the total student body visited school. It was gratifying to see a great number of men attending. Their influence is also being felt at Parent-Teacher Association meetings.

It is hoped that parent-teacher conferences will be instituted in the near future. This will contribute to closer home-school relations and allow for a better understanding between the school and the home. It is the policy of Center School that the doors are always open to all parents who may wish to visit the school at their convenience.

Education is not a stand-still operation. It is either going ahead or it is falling behind. We, at Center School, are doing everything we can to see that your children's education is progressing and that they are being given every opportunity to become useful citizens.

DONALD F. FRANCIOSI  
Principal

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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Dr. C. Keith Wilbur did the yearly physicals. Many of the children examined had colds.

The puretone audiometer was used to test hearing and the Massachusetts Vision Test was used for eye testing. Parents and teachers were very cooperative in proper placement of the child and corrective treatment.

The teachers were very helpful and cooperative in all health matters and I wish to thank them; also, Mr. Bartlett for the cleanliness of the building.

Respectfully submitted,  
EUNICE H. CERNAK, R.N.

## REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

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The Art Classes at the Westhampton Center School are held every two weeks. One hour is given to each classroom.

The Art Exhibit was put up in each of the school rooms for the last two weeks of May. The Exhibit consisted of water color paintings, and chalk, construction paper and crayon drawings. The pencil and painted lettering charts of the fifth and sixth grades were displayed in their room. An illustration, picture or lettering chart was chosen to be exhibited from the Art folders of each student. The Art work of the pupils will be exhibited again during the last two weeks of May, and I hope the parents will be able to see the Art work during this time.

I wish to thank those interested and responsible for the Art supplies that make the Art program possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION S. REUTER  
Art Supervisor

## REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

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Mr. Francis P. Reddington  
Superintendent of Schools  
Williamsburg, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I submit the following report of Supervisor of Music in the Westhampton School.

The program consisted of rote singing, correction of monotonies, simple knowledge of the fundamentals of music and preparing programs for Memorial Day, Graduation and Christmas.

There is a very interested group of singers in grades one and two. They show enthusiasm for their songs and memory and rhythm work. This work is helpful in accustoming the newcomers of the first grade to working with the second grade of that room.

The third and fourth grades have done some excellent work since the first of the year.

Grades five and six deserve much credit for the work in their program.

I wish to express my appreciation to the School Committee for replacement of the piano in the upper grades. The pupils derive a great deal of benefit from the better piano.

In closing, I wish to thank you, the School Committee, parents, teachers and pupils for the support given me during 1959.

Respectfully submitted,  
ELIZABETH TORREY  
Supervisor of Music

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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### EXPENDITURE

Appropriation	\$44,022.25	
Expended in 1959	42,741.56	
Balance		\$1,280.69
Administration		
J. Walter Richard, Salary	\$583.38	
J. Walter Richard, Travel	45.00	
Francis P. Reddington, Salary	468.72	
Francis P. Reddington, Travel	30.00	
Ruth S. Hover, Census	15.00	
Jeanette M. O'Neill, Secretary	480.00	
School Committee Expenses	25.00	
		1,647.10
Instruction		
Teachers' Salaries:		
Donald Franciosi	\$3,900.16	
Rachel Bridgman	3,783.52	
Patricia Norris	2,400.00	
Priscilla Phillips	1,200.00	
Marion Reuter, Art	212.50	
Elizabeth Torrey, Music	285.00	
Marion Mascho, Substitute	94.00	
Helen Tilley, Special	393.60	
		12,268.78
Books		153.22
Supplies		205.80

Maintenance		
Janitor's Salary	\$975.00	
Fuel	202.21	
Operating Expenses	455.25	
Repairs and Replacements	569.40	
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		2,201.86
General		
Health:		
Eunice Cernak, R.N.	\$212.50	
Dr. Keith Wilbur	100.00	
Dr. Abel Ross	25.00	
Supplies	27.92	
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		365.42
Transportation:		
Elementary—W. Witherell	\$3,931.80	
High & Vocational—W. Witherell	2,764.00	
Junior High—Hampshire Trans. & Service Corp.	3,120.00	
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		9,815.80
Tuition:		
Springfield Public Schools		
Adult Education	2.70	
High School		
Town of Williamsburg	7,486.68	
City of Northampton	6,891.81	
Town of Easthampton	118.42	
Vocational		
Smith's School	1,334.03	
Elementary		
Town of Chester	189.44	
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		16,023.08



Contingent Outlay	60.50
Total Expenditures for Schools	\$42,741.56

RECEIPTS

Mass. School Fund, Chapter 70	\$6,886.01
Mass. School Fund, Chapter 71	8,573.77
Superintendent's Salary	466.67
Vocational Tuition and Transportation	883.36
	16,809.81

NET COST OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS FOR 1959	\$25,931.75
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SCHOOL CENSUS — OCTOBER 1, 1959

	5-7 years	7-16 years	16 years or over
Boys	17	53	10
Girls	15	45	8
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	32	98	18

WESTHAMPTON SCHOOL DEPT. BUDGET 1960

	Budget 1959	Expended 1959	Budget 1960
Administration	\$1,535.00	\$1,647.10	\$1,575.00
Instruction			
Teachers' Salaries	12,384.00	12,268.78	13,046.50
Books	350.00	153.22	325.00
Supplies	300.00	205.80	300.00
Maintenance			
Janitor Salary	1,000.00	975.00	1,100.00
Fuel	500.00	202.21	500.00
Operating Expense	400.00	455.25	425.00
Repairs	750.00	569.40	700.00
General			
Health	350.00	365.42	375.00
Trans. High & Voc.	5,727.00	5,884.00	6,100.00

Trans. Elem.	4,036.25	3,894.30	4,105.00
Special Trans.	100.00	37.50	75.00
Tuition	16,340.00	16,023.08	19,972.40
Outlay	150.00	60.50	150.00
Contingent	100.00	0.00	100.00
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	\$44,022.25	\$42,741.56	\$48,848.90

# REPORT OF THE WELL CHILD CONFERENCE

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The Well Child Conference was held in the Westhampton Town Hall on June 3, 1959.

The staff included:

Dr. C. Keith Wilbur	Physician
Dr. Abel Ross	Dentist
Mrs. Irene Delisle	Registrar
Mrs. Edward Cernak	Nurse

There were 22 children examined of which 3 were new cases.

Dr. Abel Ross examined 18 children of which were found to have caries and 13 in good condition.

## DIPHTHERIA CLINIC

The Diphtheria Clinic was held at the Westhampton Town Hall on February 11, 1959.

Dr. C. Keith Wilbur	Physician
Mrs. Edward Cernak	Nurse
Diphtheria P. T. Triple	0-1 1
Diphtheria P. T. Boosters	25
Vaccinated	1-4 2

Respectfully submitted,  
EUNICE H. CERNAK, R.N.

## REPORT OF THE CENTER CEMETERY

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The early summer of 1959 was a "wet" one. Numerous rains and showers made it a constant battle with the fast growing grass. However, sandwiched in between mowings I was able to work at repairs and improvements as listed below:

1. Sanded and painted front of the cemetery equipment shed.
2. Reshingled south side of equipment shed.
3. Pruned out dead wood and low hanging limbs from White Pine trees in cemetery.
4. Pruned low hanging limbs from trees lining road to cemetery.
5. Cut brush sprouting up in new addition to cemetery.
6. Filled in road ruts with processed gravel.
7. Filled in depressed graves.
8. Continued grading and leveling of old part of cemetery.

There were twelve burials this year and four new lots taken.

A high quality rotary mower was purchased at a bargain price. It should be of great help on the first of the season and last of the season mowings.

STANLEY BARTLETT  
Caretaker

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

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There was a total of 16 permits issued for the year:

- 6 House Permits
- 6 Storage Sheds and Garages
- 2 Alterations and Repairs
- 1 Poultry House
- 1 Trailer Permit

Estimated total amount \$53,500.

Respectfully submitted,  
HAROLD LaCOMB  
Building Inspector

## REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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There were fewer fire calls this year than at any time since the beginning of the Department. There was only one grass fire and one chimney fire. A lightning ignited tree near a barn produced our greatest scare and dread of a disastrous barn fire. A smoldering fire in a woodworking shop was discovered and extinguished quickly. A private dump fire was allowed to continue to burn, with a portable pump standing by, after danger of spreading was reduced by a snowfall.

69 outdoor fire permits were issued.

8 oil burner and fuel storage permits were issued.

3 bottled gas installations permits were issued.

Practice drills were held primarily to acquaint the men with locating water supply quickly. In one drill we laid hose from the brook across the road from Delbert Judd's house to the Library and pumped an abundance of water to supply two hose lines and nozzles. This drill was to show that water was available if the hydrant at the Town Center failed or could not supply enough water for our needs. A realistic fire to practice on was arranged by igniting a rubbish filled junk auto and calling the men to extinguish it.

Work on the Fire Station exterior consisted of:

1. Sanding and repainting where paint was peeling off.
2. The building of a stone and tar ramp in front of the station.
3. Laying of a Colprovia walk at the side of the building.

Some work was done on the tank truck. By rearranging of piping to the attached portable pump it became easier to reach the throttle and choke controls.

Our greatest advance since the beginning of the Fire Department in 1949 was the successful request for a new fire truck at the annual Town Meeting. A purchasing committee was immedi-



ately formed to obtain the most practical apparatus within the limits of the appropriation. This committee met seven times. Many trips were taken to visit apparatus builders, see new fire trucks, and interview experts on rural community fire fighting equipment. The new truck arrived in February. It is something the Town will be proud of for many years to come and will inspire its volunteer fire fighters to do their best to hold fire losses down to a minimum.

STANLEY BARTLETT  
Fire Chief

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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The Finance Committee met on Sept. 9, 1959 and granted permission to the Selectmen to transfer \$250 from the Reserve Fund to the Road Machinery and Fire Dept. Building account.

Mr. Earl Gett and Donald Lyman reported on their meeting with Mr. Dine, Director of Accounts in Boston, in regard to the town leasing or buying the Hampshire County Center. A general discussion of the various possibilities followed, after which the finance committee voted to recommend at a special town meeting, that the town lease the Center for one year.

The matter of the Mother's Club using the town hall for kindergarten was discussed at length, and it was voted to have an article put in the warrant for the special town meeting, so townspeople could decide whether or not to use the hall for that purpose.

At a meeting held Feb. 3, 1960 the budgets for 1960 were considered in detail. Selectman Earl Gett explained their budget. The only major increase being for Public Welfare—a situation having arisen over which the town officials have no control. After a thorough discussion the committee approved the budget as presented.

The School Committee budget was presented and explained by Harold Wood and Frank Hathaway. The 1960 budget is \$5,179.47 more than was spent in 1959. Approximately 80% of this increase is for tuition and teachers' salaries. The finance committee discussed the budget in detail and feeling it to be realistic and reasonable approved it as presented for a total of \$48,848.90. It will be noted that the school budget is more than the total budget for all other town business. The committee feels that even though it costs a great deal to educate our children it is no doubt the most important single thing we do.

The finance committee also considered several other articles to put in the town warrant and approved the inclusion of the following articles:

To appropriate \$200 to hard surface the yard in front of the machinery and fire department building.

To add \$1,000 to the balance of \$601.07 left from the bridge constructed near Loud's Mill, to be used to replace the Damon Brook culvert on Northwest Road.

To recommend that the moderator appoint a committee to decide what the town will do for the Easthampton celebration in June, and that not over \$100 be allotted for this affair.

To recommend that the selectmen get prices for a new loader and present a recommendation to the town.

To recommend that the town raise \$500 more than the regular Chapter 81 money to be used for road signs and special projects.

To see if the town will vote to add to the by-laws a minimum frontage for building lots of 125 feet.

Respectfully submitted,  
CARL R. GETT  
RICHARD TRACY  
FRED BURR  
DONALD LYMAN  
MAHLON PARSONS  
JAMES HICKEY  
HAROLD LaCOMB  
RALPH BRIDGMAN  
FRANK MONTAGUE  
PHILIP CLAPP  
Finance Committee

# ARTICLES OF THE TOWN WARRANT

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## TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 7, 1960

Ten A. M. — Prompt

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Article 1. To hear and act on all reports presented at said meeting.

Article 2. To elect by ballot necessary officers to serve the ensuing year.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to leave the care of the highways in charge of the Selectmen.

Article 4. To vote in compliance with Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, which requires that salaries of elected officers be fixed by vote of the Town.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 Highways, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to cover the 1960 note on the Town Hall and \$100.00 for the interest on the same.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote one week vacation with pay (forty-eight hours) to permanent employees.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for Insect Pest Control.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$177.31 for Dutch Elm Disease.

Other articles may appear in posted warrant.

13-	24871.00	
14-	200.	
15-	250.00	
16-	1000.00	to be repaid by T.O.
17-	100.00	to be repaid by T.O.
18-	1000.00	to be repaid by T.O.
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